

May 3, 2005

TO: Members of the MAG Management Committee

FROM: Mike Hutchinson, Mesa, Chair

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Wednesday, May 11, 2005 - noon (Meeting will begin promptly at noon)
MAG Office, Suite 200 - Saguaro Room
302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

The next Management Committee meeting will be held at the MAG offices at the time and place noted above. Members of the Management Committee may attend the meeting either in person, by videoconference or by telephone conference call. The agenda and summaries are being transmitted to the members of the Regional Council to foster increased dialogue regarding the agenda items between members of the Management Committee and Regional Council. You are encouraged to review the supporting information enclosed. Lunch will be provided at a nominal cost.

Please park in the garage under the building, bring your ticket, parking will be validated. Special parking places marked "MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBER" will be reserved for Management Committee members on the fourth and fifth levels of the garage. For those using transit, Valley Metro/RPTA will provide transit tickets for your trip. For those using bicycles, please lock your bicycle in the bike rack in the garage.

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Members are reminded of the importance of attendance by yourself or a proxy. Any time that a quorum is not present, we cannot conduct the meeting. Please set aside sufficient time for the meeting, and for all matters to be reviewed and acted upon by the Management Committee. Your presence and vote count.

**MAG MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
TENTATIVE AGENDA
May 11, 2005**

		<u>COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED</u>
1.	<u>Call to Order</u>	
2.	<u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>	
3.	<u>Call to the Audience</u> An opportunity is provided to the public to address the Management Committee on items that are not on the agenda that are within the jurisdiction of MAG, or non-action agenda items that are on the agenda for discussion or information only. Citizens will be requested not to exceed a three minute time period for their comments. A total of 15 minutes will be provided for the Call to the Audience agenda item, unless the Management Committee requests an exception to this limit. Please note that those wishing to comment on agenda items posted for action will be provided the opportunity at the time the item is heard.	3. Information.
4.	<u>Executive Director's Report</u> The MAG Executive Director will provide a report to the Management Committee on activities of general interest.	4. Information and discussion.
5.	<u>Approval of Consent Agenda</u> Prior to action on the consent agenda, members of the audience will be provided an opportunity to comment on consent items that are being presented for action. Following the comment period, Committee members may request that an item be removed from the consent agenda. Consent items are marked with an asterisk (*).	5. Recommend approval of the Consent Agenda.

ITEMS PROPOSED FOR CONSENT*

MINUTES

*5A.	<u>Approval of April 13, 2005 Meeting Minutes</u>	5A. Review and approve the April 13, 2005 meeting minutes.
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TRANSPORTATION ITEMS

*5B. Approval of the Enhanced MAG Pedestrian Policies and Design Guidelines

The *MAG Pedestrian Policies and Design Guidelines* is a comprehensive manual of pedestrian policies and facility design that creates a regional standard that is used by community groups, planner and design professionals, and urban design students. Since the creation of the *Guidelines* in 1995, many changes have occurred that have prompted the need to enhance the document to incorporate safety, elderly mobility, American with Disabilities Act guidelines, summaries of recent pedestrian projects and their economic impact, lessons learned through the MAG Pedestrian Design Assistance Program, and consideration of the *MAG Pedestrian Plan 2000*. The MAG Pedestrian Working Group recommended approval. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*5C. Project Approval for the MAG Pedestrian Design Assistance Program

The FY 2005 Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget, approved by the MAG Regional Council, includes \$200,000 of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funding for the Pedestrian Design Assistance Program. On April 19, 2005, the MAG Pedestrian Working Group recommended that the following projects receive funding: 1) City of Scottsdale - Enhancing Pedestrian Mobility in Downtown Scottsdale (\$70,000); 2) City of Phoenix - Roosevelt Row Pedestrian Connection (\$70,000); 3) City of El Mirage - Cactus Road Sidewalk Project (\$20,000); 4) City of Avondale - Littleton School Sidewalk Connection (\$12,270); 5) City of Mesa - North/South Pedestrian Connection (\$30,000). The total cost of the projects exceeds \$200,000 by \$2,270 which will be requested in the FFY 2005 Interim Year End Closeout process. Please refer to the enclosed material.

5B. Recommend approval of the enhanced *MAG Pedestrian Policies and Design Guidelines*.

5C. Recommend approval to select the City of Scottsdale - Enhancing Pedestrian Mobility in Downtown Scottsdale (\$70,000); City of Phoenix - Roosevelt Row Pedestrian Connection (\$70,000); City of El Mirage - Cactus Road Sidewalk Project (\$20,000); City of Avondale - Littleton School Sidewalk Connection (\$12,270); and the City of Mesa - North/South Pedestrian Connection (\$30,000) to receive the pedestrian design assistance and seek an additional \$2,270 in the FFY 2005 Interim Year End Closeout process.

GENERAL ITEMS

*5D. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Stuart B. McKinney Continuum of Care
Consolidated Application Process for Maricopa
County

On December 18, 1999, the Regional Council approved MAG becoming the responsible entity for a year-round planning process for federal funds for homeless programs. This includes the submittal of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Stuart B. McKinney Continuum of Care Consolidated Application for Maricopa County. The Continuum of Care grant supports permanent and transitional housing services. It is anticipated that the region could receive up to \$20 million in 2005. Last year, the region received \$19.3 million. A ranking and review process, administered by Valley of the Sun United Way, is complete and the rankings will be provided at the meeting. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*5E. Preparations for Conducting the 2005 Census
Survey

At the April 2005 Management Committee meeting, information was provided on address lists, cognitive testing, the 2005 National Census Test, publicity and outreach, and recruitment for the 2005 census effort. MAG member agencies are working together to supply the Census Bureau with address lists in order to control any estimated cost increase for the survey. An opportunity for member agencies to review the mail materials will occur in mid-May. Additionally, MAG is working on compiling a list of outdoor locations that the Census Bureau will use to conduct the full count of population living in outdoor locations. Please refer to the enclosed material.

5D. Possible comment on the Homeless Continuum of Care recommendations.

5E. Information.

ITEMS PROPOSED TO BE HEARD**AIR QUALITY ITEM**

6. New Finding of Conformity for the Amended FY 2004-2007 MAG Transportation Improvement Program and Regional Transportation Plan

The 2005 MAG Conformity Analysis concludes that the amended Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) and Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) as a whole meet all applicable federal conformity requirements and are in conformance with applicable air quality plans. The proposed amendment includes requests by Maricopa County and the City of Apache Junction to add new projects to the TIP that are considered regionally significant. In addition, a conformity determination on the TIP and RTP for the new eight-hour ozone standard must be completed by June 15, 2005. Following a 30-day public review and comment period, MAG conducted a public hearing on April 25, 2005 on the proposed amendment to the TIP and 2005 Conformity Analysis for the FY 2004-2007 MAG TIP and RTP. On May 5, 2005, the MAG Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee may make a recommendation on the draft conformity analysis. The MAG Regional Council Executive Committee may take action on May 16, 2005. Ratification of the Executive Committee action will be considered at the Regional Council meeting. Please refer to the enclosed material.

6. Recommend approval of the new Finding of Conformity for the amended FY 2004-2007 MAG Transportation Improvement Program and Regional Transportation Plan.

TRANSPORTATION ITEMS

7. Amendment to the FY 2004-2007 MAG Transportation Improvement Program for Maricopa County and Apache Junction Highway Projects

On November 25, 2003, the FY 2004-2007 MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) was approved by the MAG Regional Council. Since that time, Maricopa County has notified MAG of five new roads that are being constructed in the northwest and southwest Valley and Apache Junction of a nearly 10-mile planned widening of Ironwood Road. All of these projects require an Amendment to the TIP to be able to proceed. All of the projects are regarded as regionally significant

7. Recommend approval of an Amendment to the FY 2004-2007 MAG Transportation Improvement Program to add five new privately and locally funded Maricopa County projects and one privately funded widening project in Apache Junction, contingent upon a finding of conformity.

projects for air quality conformity analysis purposes and a new Finding of Conformity for this item is considered as a separate agenda item. The results of the conformity analysis conclude that the amended TIP and Regional Transportation Plan as a whole meet all applicable federal conformity requirements and are in conformance with applicable air quality plans. The Transportation Review Committee recommended approval of a TIP amendment for these projects, pending completion of the air quality conformity analysis. The MAG Regional Council Executive Committee may take action on May 16, 2005. Ratification of the Executive Committee action will be considered at the Transportation Policy Committee and Regional Council meetings. Please refer to the enclosed material.

8. Interim Draft of the Arterial Life Cycle Program Policies and Procedures

House Bill 2456, passed in 2004 in association with the development of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Proposition 400, requires "budgeting processes" for the freeway/highway and arterial streets/intersections modes in the RTP be adopted to ensure that the estimated costs for projects in each mode do not exceed the total amount of revenues estimated to be available for that mode (ARS 28-6352). In response to this new requirement, MAG has initiated the development of an Arterial Life Cycle Program (ALCP) and has completed the development of an Interim Draft *ALCP Policies and Procedures* to guide its implementation. The Interim Draft *ALCP Policies and Procedures* were discussed at the March 16 and April 20, 2005 meetings of the Transportation Policy Committee. The discussion at the TPC centered on how the ALCP will deal with inflation, how surplus project and program funds might be reallocated, and including an allowance for inflation as part for the reimbursement to a jurisdiction if a project is advanced. Please refer to the enclosed material.

8. Information and discussion.

GENERAL ITEMS

9. Draft FY 2006 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget

9. Recommend approval of the resolution adopting the Draft FY 2006 MAG Unified Planning Work

In May 2005, the Draft FY 2006 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget is being presented for approval. As adjustments to the budget are made, the draft budget document has been updated and presented to the Management Committee, Executive Committee, and Regional Council. The draft budget is complete except for a final recommendation on two of the proposed projects. A more detailed review of these two projects for FY 2006 is currently taking place and an update will be presented at the Management Committee meeting. In addition, staff has recommended the Arterial Life Cycle Program Database Maintenance project be taken out of the projects recommended for FY 2006. Please refer to the enclosed material.

Program and Annual Budget and the member dues and assessments.

10. Management Committee Nomination Process

10. Information and discussion.

In May 2002, the Management Committee approved having the outgoing Chair of the Management Committee be responsible for working with members to nominate a manager for the Vice Chair position, and the current Vice Chair would be nominated for the position of Chair. At the meeting, it was acknowledged that the tradition was for officers to serve two one-year terms, and that the positions rotate to achieve geographic balance. In June 2004, the Chair and Vice Chair of the Committee were elected. This June, both officers will have served a one year term. In June, the election of officers will be held.

11. Legislative Update

11. Information, discussion and possible action.

An update will be provided on legislative issues of interest. Please refer to the enclosed material.

12. Comments from the Committee

12. Information.

An opportunity will be provided for Management Committee members to present a brief summary of current events. The Management Committee is not allowed to propose, discuss, deliberate or take action at the meeting on any matter in the summary, unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action.